



# County of Yolo

## WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WAC 8/27/09  
Agenda Item 1

c/o PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

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### MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 25, 2009

Denise Kotko called the June 25<sup>th</sup> 2009 meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Denise Kotko, Roberta Childers, Carol Scianna, and Michael McDonald

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County Planning and Public Works  
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County Planning and Public Works  
Tamara Lokteff – Yolo County Planning and Public Works

Guests: Gina Daleiden – Deputy to Supervisor Jim Provenza  
Jason Smith – Waste Management of Woodland

Absent/Notified: John Geisler, Jason Magness, Sue Gedestad and Dorothy Peterson

Quorum was not met.

#### **Introduction**

Introductions were made around the room.

#### **Public Comment**

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Waste Advisory Committee (WAC) on subjects relating to waste management.

#### **Consent Agenda**

##### **1. Approve Meeting Minutes from May 25, 2009.**

Quorum was not met. May minutes will be carried to the next meeting for approval.

#### **Regular Agenda**

##### **2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates**

**Yolo County** – Linda Sinderson stated that the Board of Supervisors passed 80% of the 2009-2010 budgets. Each department will have 20% held back in its name in reserve for adjustments to be made by the Board as deemed necessary. The landfill, operating from an independent fund, anticipates daily landfill operations to continue as usual. Additional cuts to the county general fund as well as state grant funds will restrict development of projects on site that are beyond the scope of everyday operations.

Marissa Juhler discussed a recent increase of unmarked tanks/cylinders being brought to the landfill for disposal. Currently there are 30 unmarked cylinders on site that are considered dangerous, one of which is known to be from a meth lab. Proper disposal is very costly and not a part of the landfill budget. Linda noted that there is a state program to help pay for taking back meth lab cylinders.

Temporary procedures involving more careful load checks are now being implemented at the face. A found cylinder will be marked with an "X" and the license plate number of the vehicle it came from and then returned to the customer. A handling procedure is being worked on with the LEA to deal with cylinders found in commercial hauling trucks.

During HHW events the facility is allowed to accept tanks which contain common household gases such as propane, helium and fire extinguishers. In the past local propane companies would take unidentified cylinders, but no vendors will do so now. Marissa plans to work with the LEA on a flier to hand residents that would give information on where they can take the cylinders that YCCL does not accept.

**City of West Sacramento** – Denise Kotko stated that the City is working with county on a waste agreement.

**City of Winters** – Carol Scianna announced the City of Winters Bulky Waste/HHW event coming this Saturday. Also, the City is ready to sign off on their waste flow agreement with the county.

**City of Woodland** – Roberta Childers reported that the city is close to finalizing a waste flow agreement with the County. Also, 12,000 residential WM customers were surveyed on whether green waste pick-up should remain as is in phase 1, or move on to phase 2. Over 35% of the surveys were returned resulting in an even split decision. A roundtable discussion at a public workshop brought 25 attendees with mixed opinions and input. Ultimately, the final decision will be made by the City Council. If the program remains as is, city staff will continue their efforts in educating residents and work toward developing better strategies for enforcement.

### **3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update**

Marissa Juhler gave a statistical report on all tire amnesty events held in the 2008-09 fiscal year. In the future, customer survey questions will be revised so that additional data can be collected.

Under the HD 17 Household Hazardous Waste grant the county initially committed to purchasing several self service Kiosks for residential sharps drop off. Since then, changes in Steri-Cycle's pricing structure have forced the County to cut costs and scale down the program. Currently the plan is to purchase one Kiosk from Steri-Cycle to be available at the landfill everyday for residential drop off. Containers would then be moved into the HHW facility and be serviced by Clean Harbors during monthly HHW events. More concentrated service in cities as originally planned could only be accomplished through additional funding from those communities. WAC members agreed that city budgets could not contribute to a long term program and that a single kiosk at the landfill would be the most appropriate solution. Another option discussed was using funds from the grant to purchase additional mail back sharps containers.

### **4. Light Brown Apple Moth Quarantine**

The Yolo County Department of Agriculture issued a permit to the Central Landfill for disposal of green waste from the Light Brown Apple Moth quarantined area. Linda Sinderson stated that the permit allows for disposal of green waste directly into the landfill and that regular refuse disposal rates will be charged. Green waste from within the quarantine area that has accumulated at Davis Waste Removal's site will undergo grinding before being hauled to their usual green waste composting site in Zamora.

### **5. City/County Waste Flow Agreements**

Meetings with staff from the cities of Woodland and Winters have yielded waste flow agreements now in the final stages. Request for approval of a contract or letter of intent is scheduled for the last Board of Supervisors meeting in June. It is preferred that contracts from each jurisdiction all contain the same language and include a clause to ensure that any approved change to one will then be applied to all. The County has met with the City of West Sacramento, but is still working through definitions and details of the agreement. Linda has had a meeting with the City of Davis and contract discussions are continuing so far. After August 1<sup>st</sup>, the County will begin charging a \$40 per ton fee to cities without agreements in place.

### **6. State Grant Funds**

In light of the California State budget, the Department of Conservation may be eliminating all funding, however, grant applications should still be submitted by the published due date. So far, Used Oil Block Grants have been cut by 40%. It is possible that the yearly calendar published by the cooperative efforts of the area coordinators will be cancelled for 2010. Each city, as well as the County, receives grant funding from the Department of Conservation. How that funding is used varies from city to city.

### **Member Questions**

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None.

**Meeting Adjournment**

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Denise Kotko adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

**Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Denise Kotko, Vice Chair  
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